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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL VISIT TO UNITED STATES BY G.P. SWEENEY, TECHNICAL
INFORMATION DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE FOR INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH AND
STANDARDS

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY MR. G.P. SWEENEY, DIRECTOR,
TECHNICAL INFORMATION DIVISION, INSTITUTE FOR INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH
AND STANDARDS (IIRS). THIS ORGANIZATION IS AN IRISH GOVERNMENT
AGENCY THAT PROVIDES A BROAD RANGE OF TECHNICAL ADVICE, RESEARCH
AND OTHER SERVICES TO IRISH INDUSTRY. SERVICES INCLUDE BOTH
STANDARDS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING. SWEENEY IS PLANNING AN
OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE U.S. ON BEHALF OF THE IIRS BETWEEN THE
APPROXIMATE DATES OF MAY 24 AND JUNE 15. HE HAS ASKED OUR HELP IN
MAKING CONTACTS, BOTH IN AND OUT OF GOVERNMENT, IN WASHINGTON
AND ELSEWHERE IN THE U.S. AS APPROPRIATE.

2. DURING HIS VISIT TO THE U.S. SWEENEY WILL INVESTIGATE THE
FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A PERMANENT OFFICE IN THE U.S. FOR
TECHNICAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE. OTHER SPECIFIC INTERESTS ARE:

A) DIRECT ACCESS BY IIRS TO VARIOUS TECHNICAL INFORMATION
SERVICES IN THE U.S.

B) METHODOLOGY OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

C) EXTENSION SERVICES TO INDUSTRY SIMILAR TO AGRICULTURAL
EXTENSION SERVICES - IIRS WISHES TO PROVIDE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF
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TECHNICAL INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE TO IRISH INDUSTRY

D) ON-LINE NETWORKS FOR BOTH LIBRARY OPERATIONS AND INFORMATION
RETRIEVAL

E) NATIONAL SCIENCE INFORMATION POLICY

3. SWEENEY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE ON POSSIBLE CONTACTS IN

U.S. HE MENTIONED MR. WILLIAM KNOX OF NTIS (WHOM HE HAS MET),
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION AND SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTES
(INVENTORY OF RESEARCH PROJECTS IN U.S.). SWEENEY WOULD BE HAPPY
TO RECEIVE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CONTACTS WITH WHOM HE COULD MAKE
HIS OWN ARRANGEMENTS.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY REPLY TO PERMIT SWEENEY TO MAKE ARRANGE-
MENTS WELL IN ADVANCE. CURLEY

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